

**EXHIBIT B**

*Email Exchange between J. Taylor Powell and Cawana Pearson*

## Nina Rogers

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**From:** Taylor Powell  
**Sent:** Monday, August 12, 2019 2:10 PM  
**To:** Nina Rogers  
**Subject:** FW: 2017-11-144 FOIA Request to Department of the Treasury

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**From:** [Cawana.Pearson@treasury.gov](mailto:Cawana.Pearson@treasury.gov) <[Cawana.Pearson@treasury.gov](mailto:Cawana.Pearson@treasury.gov)>  
**Sent:** Friday, December 15, 2017 7:34 AM  
**To:** [jtp@lalawsc.com](mailto:jtp@lalawsc.com)  
**Subject:** RE: 2017-11-144 FOIA Request to Department of the Treasury

Good morning.

Thank you for providing the date rang for the above indicated FOIA request.

Our office serves as a liaison between the requester and the program offices within Treasury. Unfortunately, the program office will not be able to nun a much narrow scope as you requested by Monday. We process our FOIA requests on a first in first out basis and we currently have a FOIA backlog. If you are interesting in submitting another FOIA request, you are more than welcome to do so by using our online submission or emailing your request to [FOIA@Treasury.gov](mailto:FOIA@Treasury.gov).

Thank you,

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**From:** Taylor Powell [<mailto:jtp@lalawsc.com>]  
**Sent:** Thursday, December 14, 2017 3:30 PM  
**To:** Pearson, Cawana  
**Subject:** RE: 2017-11-144 FOIA Request to Department of the Treasury

Good afternoon Cawana,

The date range for my FOIA request would be from May 1, 2015 until the present.

While would like to still submit my original FOIA request for the above stated date range, I would also like to ask if you might be able to run a much more narrow search and respond to me by Monday?

The narrow request would be for all emails and/ letters sent to anyone at Treasury by the following employees of the South Carolina State Housing Authority; Tracey Easton, Valerie Williams, or Jennifer Cogan that relate in any way to Southeastern Housing and Community Development, Southeastern Housing Foundation, or Robert Thomas as well as any response that was generated by anyone at Treasury and sent back to Tracey Easton, Valerie Williams, or Jennifer Cogan between May 1, 2015 and the present.

Thank you for your assistance,

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**From:** [Cawana.Pearson@treasury.gov](mailto:Cawana.Pearson@treasury.gov) [mailto:[Cawana.Pearson@treasury.gov](mailto:Cawana.Pearson@treasury.gov)]  
**Sent:** Thursday, December 14, 2017 8:15 AM  
**To:** [jtp@lalawsc.com](mailto:jtp@lalawsc.com)  
**Cc:** [Cawana.Pearson@treasury.gov](mailto:Cawana.Pearson@treasury.gov)  
**Subject:** 2017-11-144 FOIA Request to Department of the Treasury

Good morning,

My name is Cawana Pearson and I'm in receipt of your recently submitted FOIA request. You seek, "Any and all communications, documents, materials, or reports of any kind sent or received by the United States Department of the Treasury by any employee or agent of SC Housing Corp or the South Carolina State Housing Finance and Development Authority that in any way reference or mention the following parties: Robert Thomas, Southeastern Housing and Community Development, Southeastern Housing Foundation, Bamberg County, the Town of Williston, the Town of Blackville, the Town of Estill, or Allendale

County. Specifically any and all communications, documents, materials, or reports of any kind that in any way relate to any performance review, internal audit, or compliance review relating to Southeastern Housing and Community Development or Southeastern Housing Foundation's ability to participate in the Neighborhood Initiative Program.” In order to assign your request for processing, the program office which will be conducting a search requires a timeframe for the search.

Please provided the requested information ASAP, but no later than 30 days from the date of this email.

Thank you,

Cawana Pearson  
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